

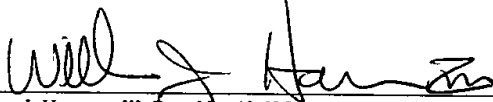
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In re Application)	<u>PATENT APPLICATION</u>
Inventors: Raje, et al.)	
Application No.: 09/632,494)	Art Unit: 2825
Filed Date: August 3, 2000)	Examiner: Levin, Naum B.
Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR)	Customer No.: 28554
GENERATING SIGN-OFF PROTOTYPES)	
FOR THE DESIGN AND FABRICATION)	
OF INTEGRATED CIRCUITS)	

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RESPONSE A TO OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

This RESPONSE A is in reply to the Office Action mailed September 12, 2002.

Amendments

In the Claims:

Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner replace claims 1-100 with claims 1-36, 70-81, and 94-100 set forth below — AMENDING claims 14-24, 76, and 94 and CANCELING